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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: EAID, EG, QA
SUBJECT: ARAB AID TO EGYPT: REPORTED NEW \$1 BILLION EMERGENCY
FUND

1. DURING FEB 15 CONVERSATION, I ASKED AMIR OF QATAR, SHAYKH KHALIFA BIN HAMAD AL THANI, ABOUT POSSIBLE NEW AID FROM GULF STATES TO EGYPT IN WAKE OF RECENT RIOTS. KHALIFA RESPONDED THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED THIS SUBJECT WITH PRINCE FAHD DURING HIS FEB 10 VISIT TO RIYADH, AND THAT A QATARI DELEGATION WAS PRESENTLY IN RIYADH FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS ON SUBJECT.

2. ACCORDING TO AMIR, POTENTIAL DONORS SAUDI ARABIA, KUWAIT, UAE AND QATAR WERE TALKING IN TERMS OF "NEW EMERGENCY TYPE"
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ONE BILLION DOLLAR FUND. AMIR SAID THAT DETAILS HAD NOT YET BEEN WORKED OUT RE WHETHER THIS WOULD BE ONE-SHOT DONATION OR RENEWABLE LOAN. HE ALSO SAID THAT THERE HAD BEEN SUGGESTION THAT NEW FUNDS BE CHANNELED THROUGH IMF. ACCORDING KHALIFA, MODALITIES, ETC., BEING WORKED ON AT CURRENT RIYADH MEETING.

3. RE PREVIOUS GOQ AID TO GOE, KHALIFA CONFIRMED QATARI

SHARE OF \$1.5 BILLION PLEDGED LAST SPRING DURING SADAT TOUR OF
GULF WAS \$70 MILLION.

4. AMIR WENT THROUGH HIS USUAL ROUTINE THAT UNLESS SADAT SAVED
ALL IN AREA WILL LIKEWISE PERISH. I TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO OUT-
LINE CURRENT U.S. AID TO EGYPT, DRAWING ON STATE 032112,
NOTING THAT CONTINUED FORTHCOMING ATTITUDE ON PART OF RICH
ARABS NECESSARY AS JUSTIFYING FACTOR FOR U.S. EFFORTS. AMIR
ACKNOWLEDGED POINT, AND REITERATED HIS VIEW THAT SADAT'S
SURVIVAL KEY TO MIDEAST PEACE AND AREA STABILITY.
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